Maple Grove Township Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 2021/12/20- Presented by: Tish Yaros - Clerk

Meeting was held in person and virtual and called to order at 7:00 p.m. All board members present.

A motion was made by Trustee Wendling to approve the November 15th meeting minutes as posted, seconded by Clerk Yaros. Motion passed.

Pat Andres reported that he has reapplied for a Federal Grant for 15 Airpacks totalling \$95,800, the grant writer is confident they will get this grant. Thanks to a Fire Department donation, all firefighters will have flashlights mounted to their jackets for safety. There was discussion on replacing the 37 year old JAWS of Life and a potential whole building Generator with ARPA funds.

Treasurer Yaros presented several items:

- Treasurer Report
- Mid Michigan Waste Authority Consortium RFP for Waste pickup for the next 10 years.
- Tabled discussion on the Fixed Asset Capitalization Policy and the Investment Policy discussion till next meeting.
- Presented the ARPA Loss Revenue calculation and discussed how this money can be used in the future. It must be spent, not used to backfill fund reserves or debt. Ideas were discussed and a survey will be on our webpage for ideas.
- Yaros also motioned to pay \$15 per call Hazzard Pay to the Firefighters with the ARPA funds as presented by Pat Andres totalling \$18,810, seconded by Trustee Peterman. After some discussion, motion passed.
- T. Yaros and K. Yaros met with Mercury Wireless to discuss the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) award for our community. K. Yaros discussed the results of that meeting and asked to form a committee to study the broadband options. This will be a working group of residents led by Merrick Matthews to present recommendations to the Board on where we go with our Broadband needs in the upcoming future.

Clerk Yaros reminded everyone that our January meeting will be 1/10/22. Yaros also mentioned that there is a breakdown of where your tax money is going and why it's important for everyone to be informed. It was also noted that New Lothrop Schools and Saginaw ISD are potentially going for Millage increase/renewals in May. Yaros had Jim Gray discuss the potential new Business License. There was a lot of discussion around this topic and it was agreed that a public workshop for community input on the potential business license would be held at our February Board meeting.

Trustee Wendling noted the Planning Commission met and set their 2022 meeting dates. They have been moved to accommodate Jim Gray being there. They will be the 1st Wednesday of every other month. They will be 2/2/22, 4/6/22, 6/1/22, 8/3/22, 10/5/22, 12/7/22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall.

Trustee Peterman had residents inquiring about why taxes were so high. Krupp noted that there was only 1 tax for the Township, the rest were voted on by residents. He was directed to the tax page that Treasurer Yaros created.

Supervisor Krupp gave a Saginaw County Road Commission update. He also mentioned that the Drainage issue on M-57 and Lincoln has been delayed until spring due to water and supply issues. There was also a complaint about the Dollar General construction noise, it was addressed with the Dollar General contractor and should be remedied.

Krupp motioned to nominate Bill Turnwald to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term, 1/1/22 - 12/31/24, seconded by Wendling. Motion passed. Krupp motioned to nominate Brian Wendling to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term, 1/1/22 - 12/31/24, seconded by K. Yaros. Motion passed.

Clerk Yaros made a motion to pay bills 19920 thru 19958 totalling \$33,719.55, seconded by Treasurer Yaros. Motion passed.

Public Comment: Twin Township inquired how to get ARPA Funds. She will create a proposal and present it to area townships to see if there is support.

Supervisor Krupp motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by T. Yaros. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.